

# SPAIN



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## Geography

**Area:** 505,370 km<sup>2</sup>  
**Borders:** 1953 km (Andorra 63.7 km, France 623 km, Gibraltar 1.2 km, Portugal 1,214 km, Morocco (Ceuta) 6.3 km, Morocco (Melilla) 9.6 km)  
**Coastline:** 4,964 km  
**Capital:** Madrid  
**Official language:** Spanish



## Population

**Population:** 47,222,613 (est. 2023)  
**Natural change rate:** -2.8‰ (2022)  
**Population repartition:** 13.6% under 15 years old, 20.1% over 65 years old (2023)  
**Foreign residents:** 4% EU nationals, 8% non EU nationals (2021)  
**Migration rate:** 4.2‰ (2023 est.)  
**First time asylum applicants:** 162,420 (2023)  
**Life expectancy:** men 81.2 years, women 86.7 years (2023)  
**Ethnic groups:** Spanish 84.8%, Moroccan 1.7%, Romanian 1.2%, other 12.3% (2021 est.)  
**Religions:** Roman Catholic 58.2%, atheist 16.2%, agnostic 10.8%, other 2.7%, non-believer 10.5%, unspecified 1.7% (2021 est.)

Source : Eurostat, The CIA World Factbook



## Economy

**Currency:** Euro  
**GDP:** 1,462,070 million € (2023)  
**GDP per capita (PPA):** € 25,210 (2023)  
**GDP growth:** 2.5% (2023)  
**Unemployment:** 11.7% (April 2024)  
**Inflation:** 3.8% (May 2024)  
**Public Debt:** 107.7% of GDP (Q4 2023)  
**Budget balance:** -6.7% of GDP (Q4 2023)  
**Stock of foreign direct investment from the entire world:** 74% of GDP (2022)

Source : Eurostat, CNUCED, OCDE



## Political system

**Constitutional monarchy, democracy, bicameral parliamentary system**  
**Head of State:** King Felipe VI since 19th June 2014  
**Prime Minister:** Pedro Sanchez (PSOE), president of the outgoing government, announced a new coalition government between the PSOE and the Sumar party on 17th November 2023.  
**The Cortes make up the Spanish parliament, they comprise two houses:**  
**the Congreso de los diputados** (Congress of Deputies) comprises 350 members who are elected for four years by direct universal suffrage;  
**the Senado** (Senate) comprises 265 members among whom 208 are directly elected and 57 are designated by the regions.



## Political Representation

**Composition of the Congreso de los diputados (on 30th October 2023):**  
 -137 seats PP (People's Party)  
 -121 seats PSOE (Socialist Workers Party)  
 -33 seats VOX  
 -31 seats Sumar  
 -7 seats Grupo Parlamentario Republicano  
 -7 seats Junts per catalunya  
 -6 seats EH Bildu (Reunite the Baque Country)  
 -5 seats EAJ-PNV (Basque Nationalist Party)  
 -3 seats Joint parliamentary group

**Composition of the Senado (on 30th October 2023):**  
 -143 seats PP (People's Party)  
 -88 seats PSOE (Socialist Workers Party)  
 -11 seats Esquerra Republicana EDH Bildu  
 -6 seats Grupo Parlamentario Izquierda confederal  
 -6 seats EAJ-PNV  
 -6 seats Grupo parlamentario plural (Junts, AHI, coalicion canaria, BNG)  
 -4 seats Joint parliamentary group

### Female representation:

in government: 11/23  
 in the Congreso: 155/350  
 in the Senado: 114/264

**Next general elections:** 22nd August 2027